Nearly Four Score Talesmen Peers of Trumbull Farmer, on Trial For His Life.

cused Parent, on Trial For to do it. Slaying Their Mother.

HAINES' JURY.

- Elmer H. Wakeley, Monroe. Machinist. Married Age 52.
   Stanley Botsford, Monroe. Real estate. Married. Age 35.
   Samuel Grumman, Darien Retired.

- 3. Samuel Grumman, Darien Retired.
  Mairied. Age 66.
  4. James Toohey, Bridgeport. Jewelry. Married. Age 63.
  5. Morris Lebas, Bridgeport. Auto
  supplies. Married. Age 56.
  6 E. H. Sammis, New Canasa, Auto
  mobiles. Married. Age 66.
  7. Louis T. Twist, Mouroe. Farmer.
  Single Age 37.
  8. Andrew P. Bidstrup, Bethel. Hotel keeper. Married. Age 49.
  9. John F. Wilson, Greenwich. Auto
  renting. Married. Age 28,
  10 George B. Gregory, Easton. Farmer Married. Age 58.
  11 John J. Marvin, 50. Farmer Westport.

From two panels to the number of 75, only ten men have been accepted. utilized nine peremptory challenges from a possible 25 allowed by the law defense had rejected 14 persons. It is not likely that the limit of side owing to the fact that at noontime only two jurymen were needed, two having been selected during the morning hours after examination of

Though considerable controversy was waged as to the form of question ing to be permitted by the defense, in which the presiding judge, James H. Webb, took part, it was disclosed that it was most difficult to select from among talesmen opposed to the drink-ing of liquor to excess, men who could t aside their scruples to the extent of accepting upon its trial value such evidence as might be submitted by alleniets to prove in hypothetical cases that a man might by the constant and excessive use of liquor reach a state of mind that at the time of a commission of crime might so impair the brain as to preclude a person from judging between right from

The criminal superior court today every seat being filled. At the front of membership roll. the spectators' enclosure sat Haines' two boys, who watched every move sisting of Deputy Jailer Patrick with the keenest interest.

The prisoner, brought down from guard of deputy sheriffs.

his appearance yesterday. He seemed are members of the Good and to take greater interest in the conduct fare committee of the organization.

The organization of the new club the last primary battle ing no gesture or movement that in-dicated his personal feelings. During a recess at which he was

iducted by Deputy Sheriff J. Mills milinson into the corridor of the building be chatted volubly with the guard and also with several of his friends of this city who exinded their hands and wished him

At the conclusion of a five minute period he seemed anxious to be back in the court room and led the way, immediately seating himself and observing the people passing to and fro.

At the opening of court there were
but two talesmen left upon yesterday's panel. Thirty-five new names Henry F. Collins, Norwalk; Charles F. Short, Newtown; Caleb W: Merritt, Greenwich; Arthur P. Hatch, Stamford; Thomas P. Cave, Darlen; George

Carlos D. Blakeman of Stratford was the first talesman examined. He had the tast as a juryman on the Fuda morder that

en were pronounce Moses H. Thorpe, who also served on a murder jury, was excused by the

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#### GORDON'S EXPLANATION DOESN'T EXPLAIN, SAYS COMMISSIONER LYNCH

Because the trust of the people of give them more. Bridgeport has been violated, Dr. Robert J. Lynch, member of the board of apportionment objects to is board of apportionment and taxation, the failure to build the almshouse for demanded this afternoon a public explanation by Supt. S. R. Gordon, why the new almshouse wasn't built and Gordon to explain this. He didn't equipped for \$175,000.
"I want Mr Gordon, as he repre-

almshouse for \$175,000. and why, after all this, there almshouse with nothing in it. Haines' Little Sons Again
Watch Every Move of Ac
want limb of the charities board to tell the citizens why it is that he and the charities board didn't build amount eaten by the poor. That has anothing to do with the failure to build and furnish an almshouse for \$175,
when they were told they'd have

> about the matter over which the board board of charities.

"What I objected to and what the say anything about it in the statement, "We want an explanation as to why, sents the board of charities, to tell not only was the \$175,000 exceeded, Exhausted To Get Ten the taxpayers of the city of Bridge- but there is a deficit of \$15,000, bewhy I is that he didn't complete an ging the cellar for the almshouse and why, after all this, there is an

"I have read the statement sent to the board of apportionment today by the board of apportionment today by the Board of appropriate \$22,-Mr. Gordon. He doesn't say a thing 000 extra to equip the almshouse." Dr. Lynch said he had called three of apportionment disagrees with the contractors of repute on the telephone and each said the cellar of the alms-"Nobody objects to giving help to house ought to have been dug for the poor. Give them all they need; \$2,000.

### PASSENGER LINER RUNS INTO SCHOONER IN FOG; RADIO EFFECTS RESCUE

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 25.-The passen- to S. O. S. calls. gers aboard the Merchants' & Miners'

If John J. Married. Age 38.

13 John J. Married. 50. Farmer Westport.

12 Charles F. Silliman, 31, Farmer.

Baston

Shortly before 2 o'clock the Halpes liry was completed. Frequations were made for the taking of testimory.

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The corner says he is not inquiring into the despatching of trains on the response to the Cretan.

A dense fog was reported by the condition of the schooner was not seen to go was reported by the condition of the schooner with the provided to be much nearer though her response to the Cretan.

A dense fog was reported by the condition of the schooner with the provided the provided in the same state seed of the state of the schooner with the condition of the schooner with the death penalty and the use of the provided that the Cretan would be able to make this port under her own power, her collision builkhead evidently having saved her from foundering.

The cost was filled, on the engine of No. 5. The condition of the state of the much of the state of the state of the muriar of the state of the s

#### in the elimination process the court had exercised its privilege to the extent of excusing 25 talesmen for various of excusing 25 talesmen OF SIXTH DISTRICT LIKELY TO SPREAD TO OTHER PRECINCTS

have already been held and about cipals. 60 Republican voters have signed the

O'Brien, Edward Sherman and Louis Blair has been named. The memthe county jall well in advance of the bership committee is Charles Kings-opening hour, awaited the calling of ton, former district chairman; Geo. ourt in Sheriff Pease's office, under Fray, Fred Morehouse and Fred uard of deputy sheriffs. Blakeman. Michael Murphy, John Later, in the court room, he took the w. Blakeman, Edward Eddinger, same chair and attitude as marked Daniel O'Brien and Charlie Haefele

The members of the new club contend that the members of the old club are really Democrats and that they are Republicans for revenue only."

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Thomas C. Cunningham, deputy of 143rd street, New York city. The sheriff, who was appointed district body of Frye was taken to Green-titude of the leaders of this element titude of the leaders of this element. chairman to harmonize things when the split came over Charlie Kingston: Vernon street, Springfield, Mass. Rel-Mortimer Stowe, Benjamin Thorpe atives in Greenwich claimed the body, and others. Mr. Thorpe is registerand others.

from the Sixth district. The old club is about to move into the stone building near the Oak mov-ing picture theatre in Oak street. This at St. Patrick's R. C. church in Hartlocation is on the extreme edge of the ford, who was painfully hurt in the I. Buxton, Norwalk; Alvin E. Hewitt, Huntington, and Stephen F. Holmes, Norwalk, were excused by Judge Webb for physical disability or other good of the new club say that they have to the district and the members claim it is wreck had passed a very good night. It is also said that C. V. Berkeley trict political club location. Members of New York city, another colored portor physical disability or other good of the new club say that they have given outings and other affairs by 7 will recover. Berkeley has two which they have raised funds to keen fractured left ribs. He was treated the treasury of the sid club intact and first at The Stratfield hotel and later

> for the club rooms with his own ing at the Bridgeport hospital. Hackett money, declared that before the end ha a fractured skull. At the hospital, of next month he would have a club it was said, he regained consciousness in the Sixth district which would yesterday and is now rapidly gaining number in its membership at least 150 his strength.

Dissension which threatens to Republican voters. Mr. Willis also spread to every Republican organiza- indicated that when this club is form-

spread to every Republican organization in the city has broken out among the Republicans of the Sixth district. A new Republican club is being formed there and the new club has walked in and over the heads of the old club members, has taken the rooms they formerly occupied at 1193 North avenue.

Lewis C. Willis is chairman of the committee to arrange for rooms and he promptly procured the quarters of the old club in the Fener Broad building in North avenue. He paid \$13 for a months' rent in advance. He That another club might be formed ments. for a months' rent in advance. He will take possession March 1 and or-for a new club. In the Norman street ganize the new club there. Several club, Frank Ballard and Alderman meetings of those who are interested Robert N. Blakeslee are the prin-

# IN DEATHS OF

ven finishes his investigation of the lous to return to work, died here.

morgue awaiting identification. At St. Vincent's hospital today it was

## SIGNAL SYSTEM IS SCRUTINIZED

I. C. C. Officials Investigating Wreck Take Parts of Apparatus.

BE ENDED BY NIGHT

Coroner Mix Tries To Find Why Sweeney Was on Engine of No. 5 Train.

New Haven, Feb. 25-The federal inquiry into the causes of the wreck at Milford last Tuesday on the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, was completed today so far as taking of testimony is concerned. The ommissions will now make tests of the signal devices to determine their efficiency and will have an inspection made of the stretch of track at Mil-

ford involved in the wreck.

The chief witness today was General Manager C. L. Bardo, of the company, who declared in answer to questions by H. W. Belknap that he knew of no mechanical device which could offset the human element This element must be considered in every case, he said. He could not account for the presence of Harold Sweeney on the engine of the extra passenger train with Engineer W. R. Curtis and Fireman McGinnis, which ran into the express and paid a tribute to the judgment and qualifications of Curtie.

The inquiry of Mr. Mix was devoted chiefly to clearing up the mystery of the presence of Harry Sweeney, The Onondaga was five hours' steam- who had given up his position as ing away when she picked up the student fireman three hours before the cretan, which was damaged in wireless, but the San Jacinto was be-

inspector, said that experiments made by him had demonstrated that the larged hole in the air hese might have been made by the thrashing end that city where a brother of his resides.

Crones was chef at the University

had parted.

Both the engines on the trains were equipped with the most modern airbrake equipment. Four coaches on No. 5 were of wood. All the on No. 5 were of steel. The Archdiocese of Illinois. On the day before the dinner, stock placed in the soup was poisoned. Guests were made ill by partaking of the poisoned soup.

A man answering the description of A man answering the description of A man answering the description at the frames.

C. H. Morrison, signal engineer, explained in detail the automatic signal system and said that since its installation there had been 258 signal failures. All but eight had been "safe" failures, that is the signal aufailures. tomatically set at danger. Question-ed as to the efficiency of the system, Mr. Morrison said that since June, 1914, there had been over 7,000,000 movements over the stretch of 40 miles of track and that the percentage of efficiency was 99.99 or about one failure to every 28,000 move-

#### ANSONIA FEARS **NEW OUTBREAKS** AT BRASS SHOP

Sheriff Hugo Will Be Asked For Deputies in Case Some Strikers Return.

When Coroner Eli Mix of New Ha-

when the O'Brien faction in the dis-trict was defeated and later Alfred C. Knapp, bartender at James Car-roll's salcon, 351 Main street, was elected president.

macher believe that a show of strength will come next Monday morning when defeated and about 100 injured. Cor-toff the strikers which will make a strikers which will make a strikers which will come next Monday morning when the cultive H. R. Hubbard was discharg-will come next Monday morning when defeated from his position today by order of Manager Frial Cantwell. The strikers which who are the strikers which will be strikers which story to a newspaper reporter. The

The body of the man believed to be that he talked with High Speriff Hugo Monday or possibly Sunday night. The company has brought in more guards and it is probable that the volunteer night, will not be peeded in that capacity again.

company now has enough guards to hold all the entrances to the several mills. Although there was little evidence of strike conditions to-His sympathies for drinking old club have never paid any dues.

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Were pronounced. He was ex
Mr. Willis, who today paid the rent at the New Hayen station. Is recovering of the mills.

THE WEATHER. Clearing and colder tonight and

#### men supporting move for legislation warning U. S. citizens off armed liners. Senator Jones, Republican, plans resolution asking that issues affecting national honor should be referred to Congress before decision. CRONES TRIED TO KAISER'S FORCES

MEASURE TO WARN

Day's Developments in U-Boat Crisis

Americans to avoid armed liners would pass overwhelm-

new U-boat policy, so that further negotiations may be con-

gress, against legislative action on diplomatic question.

House leaders tell President that resolution to warn

President stands firm, despite possible revolt in Con-

Reported that Germany may postpone inauguration of

Senator Lodge, Republican, announces his endorsement

Former Secretary of State Bryan telegraphs congress-

End, Another Report To Local Police.

ingly if offered.

of President's stand.

Investigation by the police today The hose, he said, was of city. The police authorities of Midstandard quality.

Charles U. Joy, general airbrake his probable presence in this city last dletown, Conn., have been notified of increased by more than 7,000 to over

Crones was chef at the University been brought out that the steam hose on the end of the leading coach of N 79, where the air hose is located. club in Chicago, Feb. 10, when a din-

Remington Arms & Ammunition Co. Wednesday, according to a report received at police headquarters at 8:30 this morning. He is also reported as having been seen in the drug store of Charles E. Keith at Fairfield and Park avenues Wednesday evening where he is said to have gone in search of a room.

The man answering the description of Crones procured a position as assis-tant chef at The Stratfield yesterday morning. He helped to prepare the dinner served 300 members of the Manufacturers' association and about members of the Wowompon tribe, No. 40, Improved Order of Red Men, at banquets given last night. He was hired by Chef Joseph Krubeau and worked until last evening when he asked the chef to procure a dollar for him, part of his day's pay. All the time the chef was wondering where he had seen the strange man before and suddenly the thought dawned upon him that the man was Crones, Krubeau told Crones to wait a minute until he got in connection with the office. The chef called the clerk and asked that House Detective H. R. Hubbard be sent upstairs immediately.

Crones heard the message delivered over the phone and undetected he hurrledly left the building. Upon the Ansonia, Feb. 25.-With torrents of arrival of the house detective he was rain falling, the city's streets were gone. Hubbard got in communica deserted today and it was difficult to the Hubbard got in communica ascertain the attitude of the 2,500 striking laborers of the American Brass Co. toward the new wage in
Brass Co. toward the new wage increase of 15 per cent, announced yes- this city during the night but were unable to get any trace of Crones.

As a result of the fact that Crones

### Ends After Confab

All the drop forgers and die sinkers cancelled. eventualities. Today it is understood who struck last week at the Remington Arms & Ammunition Co. have re- damage done by the strikers could not ed on the Democratic primary list Connor is still at Cullinan & Mullins' about arrangements for having an adequate number of deputies here early between officials of the plant and estimate the exact amount of finanmembers of the workers' committee. were made by both sides concerning number of workmen is greater now firemen, who were sworn in as special spoiled work and a new shop order than when the strike was first deofficers and have guarded the mills at will be posted. No statement will be clared, President Ams said the amount made by the company, other than that of work turned out was not as great. the terms of the return are "satisfac-

The early morning shift returned to work first. The committee of the strikers declares the terms agreeable.

New Haven, Feb. 25-The direc-Yale National bank today voted to of the stockholders.

# **CAPTURE 10,000**

CITIZENS WEJLD PASS.

LEADERS TELL PRES

Seen In Drug Store In West More Territory Captured in one. New Offensive, Berlin War Office Says.

Berlin, Feb. 25-The German war falled to reveal the whereabouts of office announced today the capture of rights of Americans on the Jean Crones, the alleged soup poisoner all French positions in the region seas must be respected at any from Chicago, and it is the belief of north of Verdun as far as the ridge the authorities that he has left the of Loudemont, just south of Beau-The number of prisoners has been

> 10,000. Capture of the fortified villages and farms of Champneuville, Cotellatte, Marmont, Beaumont, Chambrettes and Ornes also was announced

MORE SHIPS SEIZED.

# ABOUT HOLD-UP OF U. S. VESSEI

States today instructed Ambassador some argument on both sides is fully Page at London to make inquiries at set out in Senator Stone's letter to the the British foreign office regarding President and the President's letter the removal of 38 Germans, Austrians to Senator Stone. and Turks from the American steam-ship China in Asiatic waters and to the Buse felt, in our judgment. I demand the release of the prisoners if told the President that this warning they were arrested on the high seas, resolution would carry two to one if as has been indicated.

#### AMS CO. LOSES **BIG ORDER FROM** RUSSIAN CLIENT

Long Strike at Machine Strike Cost Firm Lucrative Contract.

Striking machinists at the Max trouble when the hearing in injunction proceedings brought by the company is resumed next Tuesday morning beconnection with the Stratfield hotel fore Judge Gager in the superior dates from the last primary battle when the O'Brien faction in the dis-

Counsel for the Max Ams Co. finished the presentation of evidence yesterday afternoon. The Pacific Coast sales manager testified that the company had lost a big order for Russia because of trouble at the Fairfield ers he felt the United States must plant and other employes in the sales | stand for the right of Americans to deparyment told of orders that were

President Charles Ams said cial loss but claimed a number of It is understood that concessions orders had been lost. Although the

> Senate Confirms Fletcher As Envoy of U.S. To Mexico

Washington, Feb. 25-The Senate confirmed today the nomination of tors of the First National and the Henry Prather Fletcher as Ambassaconsolidate, subject to the approval dor to the government of Mexico. The vote was 49 to 16.

Congressional Heads Have Long Conference With President on U-Boat Policy - President Stands Firm Against Legislation.

Will Be No Immediate Action in Congress, But Leaders Can't Predict What May Happen—Postponement of Submarine Warfare Rumored.

Washington, Feb. 25-Presdent Wilson reiterated his opposition to any action in Congress warning Americans off armed ships in a conference early today with Speaker Clark, Majority Leader Kitchin and Chairman Flood, of the House

Foreign Affairs Committee. They in turn told the President that if such a resolution were brought to the vote in the House at this time it would be passed by a majority of two to

The President was unshaken in his position that Congress should take no action embarrassing his contention that the

The leaders went away telling the President nothing would be done today but they ventured no predictions for the future. They admitted that the situation was serious and could not tell yet how far the St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands, sentiment in Congress would Feb. 25—Eight German steamships be swayed by the publication lying in the harbor here were taken be swayed by the publication in charge yesterday by officials of the of the President's views in his letter to Senator Stone.

When the conference was over. that Germany would postpone the beginning of the new submarine campaign until April, or until the middle of March. He would not say whether he got his information from the Pres-

"The sum and substance of the conference." Speaker Clark said, "outside of an explanation made as to the temper of the House regarding the diplo-Washington, Feb. 25,-The United matic situation with Germany and

they ever got a chance for a vota-Some enthusiastic gentlemen, I said, thought it would carry three to one.

"Of course there was a great deal of talk about international law regarding the rights of Americans on the seas and precedents. At the conclusion of the conference it was very clear to all that President stands on his letter to Senator Stone.

"But there are rumors which were discussed that Germany may postpone enforcement of the new admiralty order to sink armed ships from March 1, either to April 1 or the mid-dle of March. I think the chances are that Germany will postpone this threatened performance. This will give more time for consideration of Regarding the possibility of action

to her announcement that the admiralty order will be made effective March 1, Speaker Clark said it would be very difficult to get the warning resolution out of a committee for ac Majority Leader Kitchin and Rep-

in Congress in case Germany adheres

resentative Flood declined to discuss what took place at the White House. They said that Speaker Clark had been selected to issue all statements. It is known, however, that both of them advised the President that the sentiment in the House for the resolution was strong.

The President told the House leadthe freedom of the seas and that the honor of the nation must be protected at any eventuality. He also told the leaders the position of the United States would be weakened if Congress took action such as has been proposed.

Speaker Clark, Mr. Kitchin and Mr. Flood left the White House say ing they believed the situation seri-

The President, it was understood, was very emphatic in his demand that the rights of Americans be upheld and that Congress take no action.

As a result of the conference administration leaders in Congress are expected to exert their strongest inluence to prevent any action at this

President Wilson spent virtually he entire morning discussing phases of the foreign situation. ion to conferring with the House (Continued on Page 2.)